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Jerai Geopark seeks UN listing

SUNGAI PETANI: Jerai Geopark in the Kuala Muda and Yan districts is hoping to be recognised by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco) as a world-class geopark by 2025.

Its manager Mohd Amin Ali said that so far, Langkawi is the only Malaysian site to have attained global geopark status, while Mount Kinabalu in Sabah is in the process of obtaining it.

"Jerai Geopark was declared a National Geopark in 2017. It would be such a proud achievement if Jerai Geopark could be raised to a higher level," he told reporters when met at the Sungai Merbok Kayaking Exploration Programme@Jerai Geopark here yesterday.

He said the Sungai Petani Municipal Council and Yan District Council have been tasked with preserving the status of Jerai Geopark.

"We have managed to maintain the status of the National Geopark for another four years," he said.

Mohd Amin said that various efforts were being implemented with the support of the state government, including setting up a permanent Jerai Geopark management unit equipped with a research team. — Bernama